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## Programme of meetings and agenda

## Official meetings

**Friday, 16 October 2015**

### General Assembly

Seventieth session

10:00 — 34th plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall

[webcast]

New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support; Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa: reports of the Secretary-General (A/70/175 and A/70/176) [items 66 (a) and (b)]

2001-2010: Decade to Roll Back Malaria in Developing Countries, Particularly in Africa [item 14]

*Joint debate*

### Security Council

11:00 — 7536th meeting — Security Council Chamber

[webcast]

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question

### General Assembly

Seventieth session

**Main Committees**

**First Committee**

15:00 to 18:00 — 8th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 4

General debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items (items 88 to 105) and statements from the representatives of non-governmental organizations:

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[Documents of the Committee: *item 88* (A/70/139 and A/70/139/Add.1); *item 89* (A/70/29); *item 90*; *item 91*; *item 92* (A/70/174, A/70/172 and A/70/172/Add.1); *item 93* (A/70/153 (Part I) and A/70/153 (Part I)/Add.1); *item 94*; *item 95*; *item 96*; *item 97* (A/70/168, A/70/168/Add.1, A/70/81, A/70/181, A/70/163, A/70/163/Add.1, A/70/164, A/70/164/Add.1, A/70/155, A/70/117, A/70/183, A/70/157, A/70/169, A/70/169/Add.1, A/70/170, A/70/170/Add.1, A/70/182, A/70/182/Add.1, A/C.1/70/2 and A/C.1/70/L.4); *item 98* (A/70/116, A/70/138, A/70/114 and A/70/165); *item 99* (A/70/177, A/70/186, A/70/27 and A/70/42); *item 100* (A/70/153 (Part II) (to be issued)); *item 101*; *item 102* (A/70/160 and A/70/160/Add.1); *item 103* (A/70/171 and A/70/159); *item 104*; and *item 105*

Other documents: Organization of work (A/C.1/70/1, A/C.1/70/INF/1, A/C.1/70/INF/4, A/C.1/70/CRP.1 and A/C.1/70/CRP.2).]

[Delegations are reminded that, during the general debate, a time limit of *10 minutes* should be observed when speaking in their national capacity, and *15 minutes* for those speaking on behalf of several delegations.

The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of this time limit. Delegations are reminded that the deadline for submission of draft resolutions and decisions under all agenda items is Tuesday, 20 October at noon. The list of speakers for thematic discussion *is open* and will *close* on Thursday, 22 October 2015, at 18:00. The time limit for the thematic discussions is *five minutes* for delegations speaking in their national capacity, and *seven minutes* for those speaking on behalf of several delegations. The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of this time limit. The names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be forwarded to Mr. Kenji Nakano, Secretary of the First Committee (c/o Mr. Gerard Cianciulli (e-mail cianciulli@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9277; Room S-3058). The deadline for submission was 18:00 on Wednesday, 14 October 2015. An advance unedited version of the list of delegations will be posted on the QuickFirst Website on Monday, 19 October 2015. Subsequently, any additions and or changes to the list can be forwarded to the Secretary (please see instructions above). The list will be finalized and officially issued shortly thereafter. The names of participants submitted after issuance of the list would be included in an addendum, to be issued after the conclusion of the Committee's work.

Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales, or form A/INF/70/2, will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations wishing to reserve conference rooms for consultations during the session should contact Ms. Lidija Komatina (e-mail komatina@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2378; Room S-3057). Background information on the Committee is available and accessible to Member States and permanent observers on the First Committee QuickFirst Website (*click here*). For inquiries regarding access to QuickFirst, kindly contact Mr. Victor Leu (e-mail leu@un.org). An archived video of a 12-minute technical briefing on QuickFirst, presented by the Secretary of the Committee after the 2nd meeting of the sixty-eighth session, on 4 October 2013, is available by *clicking here*, from 41 minutes 10 seconds to 52 minutes 36 seconds. Delegates are reminded that PaperSmart services are offered as an additional service for the seventieth session of the First Committee of the General Assembly. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart1@un.org. The number of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statement will appear on the First Committee PaperSmart portal (*click here*) only when read out by the delegation.

A First Committee side events calendar is available by *clicking here*. To have an event added on the list, please contact Ms. Soo Hyun Kim (e-mail kim12@un.org).]

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**Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)**

10:00 to 13:00 8th meeting [webcast] Conference Room 4

Assistance in mine action (A/70/207) [item 51]

*Introductory statement by the Assistant Secretary-General for the Rule of Law and Security Institutions, Department of Peacekeeping Operations*

*General debate*

*Action on draft resolution A/C.4/70/L.8*

[Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers of the remaining items of the agenda of the Committee are kindly requested to send an e-mail to 4thcommittee@un.org. Delegations are encouraged to observe the time limits of *10 minutes* for statements by individual Member States and *15 minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States. The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of these time limits.

Delegations are reminded that PaperSmart services are offered as an additional service for the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) at the seventieth session of the General Assembly. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart4@un.org.

The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. Statements will be made available on the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) PaperSmart portal *(click here)* only after delivery by delegations. Delegations are reminded that the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) should be submitted, *as soon as possible*, to Ms. Sonia Elliott, Secretary of the Committee (e-mail 4thcommittee@un.org; Room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Background information on the Committee is available and accessible to Member States and permanent observers by *clicking here*. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords, kindly send an e-mail to 4thcommittee@un.org. Representatives of Member States wishing to be included in the Fourth Committee mailing list are requested to send an e-mail from an official Permanent Mission e-mail address to 4thcommittee@un.org indicating name, delegation and e-mail address.

Delegates may also follow the open formal meetings of the Committee via Live webcast on the United Nations Web TV website (*click here*). The direct link to the archived videos can be consulted by *clicking here*.]

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**Second Committee**

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 2

*Panel discussion on "Promoting inclusive growth: Transitioning from the Informal to the Formal Economy"* [webcast]

*Chaired by*

Ms. Chantal Uwizera (Rwanda), Rapporteur of the Second Committee

*Moderator*

Ms. Jane Stewart, Special Representative to the United Nations and Director of the International Labour Organization Office for the United Nations

*Panellists*

Ms. Sunita Sanghi, Adviser, Labour, Employment and Manpower, National Institute for Transforming India (NITI Aayog), Government of India

Ms. Azita Berar-Awad, Director, Employment Policy Department, International Labour Organization

Mr. Gulelat Kebede, Coordinator, Urban Economy Branch, United Nations Human Settlements Programme

Mr. Luis Alberto Beccaria, Professor, School of Economic Sciences, University of Buenos Aires

*Discussants*

Mr. Ariel Meyerstein, Vice President for Labour Affairs, Corporate Responsibility and Corporate Governance, United States Council for International Business

Ms. Carolin Vollmann, Economic Advisor and Research Officer, International Trade Union Confederation

*Presentations followed by an interactive dialogue*

[The programme of work and status of documentation, including background information and side events for the session are available on the website of the Second Committee (*click here*).

The list of speakers for the general discussion on individual agenda items of the Second Committee *is open*. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the lists should contact, *in writing*, the Acting Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Otto Gustafik (c/o Ms. Mary Constable (e-mail constablem@un.org)).

Deadline for inscription to the lists of speakers for the general discussion on individual agenda items is *18:00* of the day before the consideration of the item.

Pursuant to General Assembly decision 65/530 on improving the working methods of the Second Committee, delegations are reminded that the time limits of *five minutes* for individual Member States and *seven minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States during the general discussion on individual agenda items will be observed. The lists of speakers will be prepared on the basis of these time limits.

Delegations are reminded that PaperSmart services are available during the session. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through PaperSmart should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart2@un.org. The name of the mission, date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. Please note that PDF format is preferred. Statements will be made available on the Second Committee PaperSmart portal only after delivery by delegations.

Delegations are requested to submit, *as soon as possible*, the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers to the Acting Secretary of the Second Committee, Mr. Otto Gustafik (c/o Mr. Jose Rene Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org; Room S-1291; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

For inquiries regarding access to the Second Committee QuickPlace, please contact Ms. Maria Theresa Olvida (e-mail 2ndcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-8429).

Requests for room reservations for informal consultations on Second Committee matters should be sent, *as soon as possible but no later than 17:00* of the day before the meeting, to Ms. Patricia Anholt Habr (e-mail habrp@un.org).]

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**Third Committee**

10:00 to 13:00 — 16th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 1

15:00 to 18:00 — 17th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 1

Promotion and protection of the rights of children [item 68]

(a) Promotion and protection of the rights of children (A/70/162, A/70/222, A/70/267, A/70/289 and A/70/315)

(b) Follow-up to the outcome of the special session on children (A/70/265)

*Continuation of the general discussion*

[The list of speakers for the general discussion on the remaining items of the Third Committee *is open*. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact, *in writing*, Ms. Catalina de Leon (e-mail slthirdcommittee@un.org). Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted, as soon as possible, to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Moncef Khane (c/o Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail lpthirdcommittee@un.org; Room S-1286)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales

or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail. Background information on the work of the Third Committee, including the provisional programme of work for the seventieth session as well as deadlines for inscription in the speakers lists and submission of draft proposals, is available by *clicking here*.

All delegations that have not yet done so are kindly requested to transmit to the secretariat of the Third Committee, the completed form listing the duly accredited diplomats of their mission wishing to use the eSponsorship platform and QuickPlace. The form should be e-mailed to thirdcommittee@un.org. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords for Third Committee QuickPlace and the eSponsorship platform, please contact Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail thirdcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4882).

Requests for room reservations for informal consultations on draft proposals should be sent to Ms. Patricia Anholt Habr (e-mail habrp@un.org).

Delegations are reminded that dissemination of their statements via PaperSmart is available. Delegations wishing to circulate statements electronically should e-mail the statement(s) at least one hour in advance of expected delivery to papersmart3@un.org. The agenda item under which the statement is to be delivered, as well as the date of the meeting should be clearly indicated on the first page of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail.]

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**Fifth Committee**

10:00 to 13:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 134 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017)

(A/70/6 (Introduction)*, A/70/6 (Sect. 1), A/70/6 (Sect. 2), A/70/6 (Sect. 2)/Corr.1, A/70/6 (Sect. 3), A/70/6 (Sect. 3)/Corr.1, A/70/6 (Sect. 4)*, A/70/6 (Sect. 5), A/70/6 (Sect. 6), A/70/6 (Sect. 7), A/70/6 (Sect. 8)*, A/70/6 (Sect. 8)/Corr.1, A/70/6 (Sect. 9)*, A/70/6 (Sect. 10), A/70/6 (Sect. 11)*, A/70/6 (Sect. 12), A/70/6 (Sect. 13), A/70/6 (Sect. 14), A/70/6 (Sect. 14)/Corr.1, A/70/6 (Sect. 15), A/70/6 (Sect. 16), A/70/6 (Sect. 17), A/70/6 (Sect. 17)/Corr.1, A/70/6 (Sect. 18), A/70/6 (Sect. 18)/Corr.1, A/70/6 (Sect. 19), A/70/6 (Sect. 20), A/70/6 (Sect. 21), A/70/6 (Sect. 22), A/70/6 (Sect. 23), A/70/6 (Sect. 24), A/70/6 (Sect. 24)/Corr.1, A/70/6 (Sect. 25), A/70/6 (Sect. 26), A/70/6 (Sect. 27), A/70/6 (Sect. 28), A/70/6 (Sect. 28)/Corr.1, A/70/6 (Sect. 28)/Corr.2, A/70/6 (Sect. 29), A/70/6 (Sect. 29A), A/70/6 (Sect. 29A)/Corr.1, A/70/6 (Sect. 29B)*, A/70/6 (Sect. 29C)*, A/70/6 (Sect. 29C)/Corr.1, A/70/6 (Sect. 29D), A/70/6 (Sect. 29E)*, A/70/6 (Sect. 29F), A/70/6 (Sect. 29F)/Corr.1, A/70/6 (Sect. 29G), A/70/6 (Sect. 29H)*, A/70/6 (Sect. 30), A/70/6 (Sect. 31), A/70/6 (Sect. 8)*, A/70/6 (Sect. 33)*, A/70/6 (Sect. 34), A/70/6 (Sect. 35), A/70/6 (Sect. 36)*, A/70/6 (Income Sect. 1), A/70/6 (Income Sect. 2) and A/70/6 (Income Sect. 3), A/70/97, A/70/86, A/70/7, A/70/16* (Chapter II A - relevant parts), A/70/80* (Chapter I), A/70/280 and A/70/280/Add.1)

15:00 to 18:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 131 (Financial reports and audited financial statements and reports of the Board of Auditors (A/70/5 (Vol. I), A/70/5 (Vol. I)/Corr.1, A/70/5 (Vol. III), A/70/5 (Vol. III)/Corr.1, A/70/5 (Vol. IV), A/70/5 (Vol. V), A/70/5/Add.1, A/70/5/Add.2, A/70/5/Add.3, A/70/5/Add.4, A/70/5/Add.4/Corr.1, A/70/5/Add.5, A/70/5/Add.6, A/70/5/Add.7, A/70/5/Add.8, A/70/5/Add.9, A/70/5/Add.10, A/70/5/Add.10/Corr.1, A/70/5/Add.11, A/70/5/Add.11/Corr.1, A/70/5/Add.12, A/70/5/Add.13, A/70/5/Add.14, A/70/5/Add.14/Corr.1, A/70/5/Add.15, A/70/322, A/70/322/Corr.1, A/70/322/Corr.2, A/70/338, A/70/338/Corr.1, A/70/338/Add.1 and A/70/380))

[Delegations that have not done so are kindly requested to submit, as soon as possible, the names of their representatives, alternate representatives and advisers, to the Secretary of the Fifth Committee, Ms. Sharon Van Buerle (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org; Room S-3241; fax 1 (212) 963-0360). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

The list of speakers for the general discussion on all agenda items before the Fifth Committee is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact, in writing, Ms. Ilene McGrade (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org).

In addition to providing 25 copies of their statement to the Conference Room Officer, delegations are kindly requested to provide an electronic copy of their statement to the secretariat of the Committee (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org), prior to the start of the meeting. Background information on the work of the Fifth Committee, including the provisional draft programme of work for the seventieth session of the General Assembly is available by *clicking here*.

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**Sixth Committee**

10:00 to 13:00 — 8th meeting [webcast] — Trusteeship Council Chamber

The rule of law at the national and international levels (A/70/206) [item 85]

Criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission (A/70/208) [item 80]

15:00 to 18:00 — 9th meeting [webcast] — Trusteeship Council Chamber

Criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission (A/70/208) [item 80]

[Delegates are reminded that PaperSmart services are offered as an additional service for the seventieth session of the Sixth Committee of the General Assembly. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal (*click here*) should send a copy of the statement at least ***one hour*** in advance of the delivery to papersmart6@un.org. The number of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statement will appear on the Sixth Committee PaperSmart portal only when read out by the delegation.

The list of speakers for all items on the agenda of the Sixth Committee *is open*. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (e-mail 6thcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5331; fax 1 (212) 963-1963). Delegations that have not yet submitted the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are invited to inform the Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs, secretariat of the Sixth Committee (e-mail 6thcommittee@un.org, Room DC2-0566; fax 1 (212) 963-1963). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Delegates are invited to access the online form on the website of the Sixth Committee for purposes of registering for the Committee's UNITE Connections community (for the seventieth session), as well as to join the e-mail contact list of representatives attending the Sixth Committee.]

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## General Assembly

**Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions**

10:00 to 13:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 10

15:00 to 18:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 10

1. United Nations Headquarters Long Term Accommodations
2. Executive meeting

# General Assembly

**Disarmament Commission**
Informal consultations

The Chair of the Disarmament Commission will hold informal consultations *today*, 16 October 2015, at 10:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

## Informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

*The agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/70/251 and A/70/252. The meetings under this header are closed.*

**Friday, 16 October 2015**

***First Committee***

**Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Declaration for the Achievement of a Nuclear-Weapons-Free World" (under agenda item 97) (convened by the delegation of Kazakhstan)**

From 08:45 to 09:45, in Conference Room 6.

**Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction" (under agenda item 97 (l)) (convened by the delegation of Poland)**

From 11:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room A.

**Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Nuclear disarmament" (under agenda item 97 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Myanmar)**

From 11:00 to 12:00, in Conference Room E.

**Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Humanitarian Pledge for the Prohibition and Elimination of Nuclear Weapons" (under agenda item 97) (convened by the delegation of Austria)**

From 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room A.

**Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Thirty-fifth anniversary of the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research" (under agenda item 99) (convened by the delegation of France)**

From 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room A.

**Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "The Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects" (under agenda item 97 (p)) (convened by the delegations of Colombia, Japan and South Africa)**

From 17:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room A.

**Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "The Arms Trade Treaty" (under agenda item 97 (y)) (convened by the delegation of Mexico and Nigeria)**

From 18:00 to 19:00, in Conference Room A.

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***Second Committee***

**Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Triennial United Nations Conferences on Oceans and Seas" (under agenda item 20) (convened by the delegation of Fiji)**

From 11:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room B.

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***Third Committee***

**Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment" (under agenda item 72 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Denmark)**

From 10:00 to 11:00, in Conference Room B.

**Meeting of co-sponsors on the draft resolution entitled "Improvement of the Situation of Women in Rural Areas" (under agenda item 29) (convened by the delegation of Mongolia)**

From 10:00 to 12:00, in Conference Room C.

**Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Integrating volunteering into peace and development: the plan of action for the next decade and beyond" (under agenda item 28) (convened by the delegation of Brazil and Japan)**

From 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room C.

## Other meetings

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**Friday, 16 October 2015**

**Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)**

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| 10:00 to 13:00 | Closed meeting | Conference Room D |
| 15:00 to 18:00 | Closed meeting | Conference Room D |

**Group of 77 (on Third Committee and related matters)**

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| 10:00 to 13:00 | Closed meeting | Conference Room 12 |

**Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS): Working Group**

13:15 to 14:30 Closed meeting Conference Room 9

**Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on Legal Matters (experts level)**

13:15 to 14:30 Closed meeting Conference Room 6

**Arab Group (Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) experts)**

16:00 to 17:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 9

## Other activities

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**Friday, 16 October 2015**

**High-level panel discussion on "Safeguarding the rights of girls in the criminal justice system" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Austria, Chile, Norway and Thailand, the Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Violence against Children (OSRSG-VAC) and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC))**

From 08:30 to 09:45, in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Sanna Käki, OSRSG-VAC (e-mail kaki@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-6131).]

**Event on "Social Inclusion Policies in the Dominican Republic" (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Dominican Republic)**

From 09:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Luz Andujar, Permanent Mission of the Dominican Republic (e-mail luzandujar@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 867-0833).]

**High-level briefing on the "United States nuclear posture" (organized by the United States Mission (First Committee experts))**

From 10:15 to 11:30, in Conference Room 11.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. John Bravaco, United States Mission (e-mail bravacjo@state.gov; tel. 1 (212) 415-4116).]

**Briefing on "The P5 (France, China, Russian Federation, United Kingdom and United States) Process and activities in support of the implementation of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of France, China, the Russian Federation and the United Kingdom and the Mission of the United States) (First Committee experts)**

From 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 12.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Sylvie Stable, Permanent Mission of France (e-mail sylvie.stable@diplomatie.gouv.fr; tel. 1 (646) 839-6667).]

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**Event on "Building inclusive and peaceful societies through women's participation and leadership: Good practices from the field" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Ireland and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP))**

From 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 6. [webcast]

[All permanent missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Roisin Burke, Permanent Mission of Ireland (e-mail roisin.burke@dfa.ie); to register, please send an e-mail to arlene.lara@dfa.ie.]

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**Event on "Social Protection and Agriculture: Breaking the Cycle of Rural Poverty" (on the occasion of the World Food Day) (co-organized by the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), the World Food Program (WFP), the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) and the International Labour Organization (ILO))**

From 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7. [webcast]

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Ruth-Anne Seburn, FAO Liaison Office in New York (e-mail lon-registry@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6036).]

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**Observance of the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty 2015 (on the theme "Building a sustainable future: coming together to end poverty and discrimination" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Burkina Faso and France, the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), the International Movement ATD Fourth World and the NGO Committee for Social Development)**

From 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 2. [webcast]

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Lisa Ainbinder, DESA (e-mail ainbinder@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4607); or *click here*.]

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**Panel discussion on "Activating Youth Entrepreneurship and Employment" (co-organized by the United Nations Millennium Campaign, the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the World We Want 2015 and A Million for A Billion (1M1B))**

From 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 11. [webcast]

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Alice Chen, UNDP (e-mail alice.chen@undp.org); or Mr. Austin Schiano (e-mail austinschiano@gmail.com).]

**Panel on "Femicide consultation" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Turkey, the Academic Council on the United Nations System (ACUNS), the Austrian Ministry of Justice, the United Nations Women's Guild and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC))**

From 13:15 to 15:00, in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact UNODC (tel. 1 (212) 963-5631); or Mr. Bill Batware, ACUNS (e-mail vienna.liaison@acuns.org).]

## Press conferences

*The schedule is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.*

**Friday, 16 October 2015**

*Press Briefing Room (S-0237)* [webcast]

11:00 Press briefing by Mr. Benyam Dawit Mezmur, Chair of the Committee on the Rights of the Child (on the Convention on the Rights of the Child)

12:00 Press briefing by the Spokesperson

**General Assembly**
Seventieth session

Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 68/302, the second informal interactive consultation with all relevant stakeholders of the World Summit on the Information Society in advance of the high-level meeting of the General Assembly in December 2015, will be held on Monday, 19 October 2015, at 10:00 and 15:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 15 September 2015, and 14 October 2015, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Informal meetings of the plenary on the preparatory process for the high-level meeting of the General Assembly in December 2015, will be held on Tuesday, 20 October 2015, from 09:30 to 12:30 and from 15:00 to 18:00; on Wednesday, 21, and Thursday, 22 October 2015, at 10:00 and 15:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 9 October 2015 and 15 October 2015, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

**Security Council**

The Security Council will hold an open debate on Tuesday, 20 October 2015, at 10:00, in the Security Council Chamber, on "Security Council Working Methods" in connection with the agenda item "Implementation of the note by the President of the Security Council (S/2010/507)".

Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should send a letter addressed to the President of the Security Council requesting to participate in accordance with Rule 37 of the Council's Provisional Rules of Procedure (e-mail dpa-scsb3@un.org; or fax 1 (917) 367-0406). Please note that only scanned copies of signed letters will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are kindly requested to limit their statements to *no more than four minutes*. Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers will not be available by telephone or e-mail, but only in hard copy in the Chamber, shortly before the beginning of the meeting.

**General Assembly**
Seventieth session

The General Assembly will hold a plenary meeting on Wednesday, 21 October 2015, at 10:00, in the General Assembly Hall, to consider sub-item (b) of agenda item 112 (Election of eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council).

Delegations wishing to speak are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Meriem Heddache (e-mail heddachem@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063)).

**General Assembly**
Seventieth session

An informal meeting of the plenary for the commemoration of the 70th anniversary of the Charter of the United Nations will be held on Friday, 23 October 2015, at 15:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 8 October 2015, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

# Forthcoming official meetings

**Monday, 19 October 2015**

## General Assembly
Seventieth session

10:00 — 35th plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall

1. Report of the Economic and Social Council

   (a) Report of the Economic and Social Council (A/70/3)

   (b) Note by the Secretary-General (A/70/140)

   Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields [items 9 and 15]

   *Joint debate*

2. Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit [item 116]

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## General Assembly
Seventieth session

The agenda of the seventieth regular session of the General Assembly was adopted on 18 September 2015 (document A/70/251 and A/70/251/Add.1), see documents A/70/252 and A/70/252/Add.1 for allocation of items.

The annotated preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventieth regular session of the General Assembly was issued in document A/70/100.

The programme of the work and the schedule of plenary meetings of the General Assembly during the main part of its seventieth session were issued on 7 October 2015 in document A/INF/70/3. Updates to the programme of work will be reflected in the online schedule of meetings, please *click here*.

*List of speakers*

Delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova, e-mail poliakova@un.org; with a copy to heddachem@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063).

For the submission of a draft resolution for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-7784 (Room S-3044). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

*PaperSmart Services*

Delegations are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements for posting on the PaperSmart portal to papersmart@un.org. The title and the date of the meeting should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.

*Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications*

Delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the permanent representative or chargé d'affaires of the permanent mission to the United Nations. The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/70/251.

Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org, or to dpu-dgacm@un.org, to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only. Materials that are accessible to the public on websites or through the media, such as statements, press releases and images, should be cited rather than included in the communications.

*Future elections of non-permanent members of the Security Council and members of the Economic and Social Council*

Pursuant to operative paragraph 17 of resolution 68/307 of 10 September 2014, on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly, there will be two elections, at the seventieth session, of the non-permanent members of the Security Council and two elections of the members of the Economic and Social Council.

Specifically, the General Assembly will conduct the elections of five non-permanent members of the Security Council for the term 2016-2017 and of 18 members of the Economic and Social Council for the term 2016-2018, during the main part of the session, in the *fall of 2015*. The elections for the 2017-2018 term in the Security Council and for the 2017-2019 term in the Economic and Social Council will take place during the resumed part of the session, in the *spring of 2016*.

Subsequently, these elections will be conducted once during each session of the General Assembly, in the spring, in accordance with the above-mentioned resolution. A memorandum, dated 22 October 2014, was sent by the Director, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council Affairs Division, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management, to the Chairs of the regional groups for that month.

## General Assembly

Seventieth session

### Main Committees

### Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold informal consultations (closed) on Monday, 19 October 2015, at 10:00 and 15:00, in Conference Room 5.

## Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

*The agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/70/251 and A/70/252. The meetings under this header are closed.*

***First Committee***

**Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Countering the Threat Posed by Improvised Explosive Devices" (under agenda item 98) (convened by the delegation of Afghanistan)**

*Monday, 19 October 2015,* from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 8.

**Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Permanent neutrality of Mongolia" (under agenda item 91) (convened by the delegation of Mongolia)**

*Monday, 19 October 2015*, from 16:00 to 18:00, in Conference room E.

**Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices (FMCT)" (under agenda item 97 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Canada)**

*Tuesday, 20 October 2015,* from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room 9.

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***Third Committee***

**Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Improving the coordination of efforts against trafficking in persons" (under agenda item 106) (convened by the delegation of Belarus)**

*Monday, 19 October 2015,* from 09:00 to 11:00, in Conference Room B.

**Meeting of co-sponsors on the draft resolution entitled "Protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism" (under agenda item 72 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Mexico)**

*Monday, 19 November 2015,* from 10:00 to 11:00, in Conference Room C.

**Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening the United Nations crime prevention and criminal justice programme, in particular its technical cooperation capacity" (under agenda item 106) (convened by the delegation of Italy)**

*Monday, 19 October 2015,* from 11:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room C.

**Meeting of co-sponsors on the draft resolution entitled "Safety of journalists and the issue of impunity" (under agenda item 72 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Greece)**

*Monday, 19 October 2015,* from 11:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room B.

**Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Violence against women migrant workers" (under agenda item 29 (a)) (convened by the delegations of Indonesia and the Philippines)**

*Monday, 19 October 2015,* from 13:00 to 15:00, in Conference Room C.

**Meeting of co-sponsors on the draft resolution entitled "Protection of Migrants" (under agenda item 72 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Mexico)**

*Monday, 19 October 2015,* from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room 9.

**Meeting of co-sponsors on the draft resolution entitled "Torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment" (under agenda item 72 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Denmark)**

*Monday, 19 October 2015,* from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room C.

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***Sixth Committee***

**Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its forty-eighth session" (under agenda item 81) (convened by the delegation of Austria)**

*Tuesday, 20 October2015,* from 08:45 to 09:45, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

## Forthcoming other meetings

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**International Criminal Court: Assembly of States Parties (omnibus resolution)**

*Tuesday, 20 October 2015,* from 13:15 to 14:45, in Conference Room 7; and

*Thursday, 22 October 2015,* from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

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**Asia-Pacific Group (monthly meeting)**

*Tuesday, 27 October 2015*, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6.

## Forthcoming other activities

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**Arms Trade Treaty Monitor Launch (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Australia, Austria, Ireland, the Netherlands and Trinidad and Tobago and Control Arms (First Committee experts))**

*Monday, 19 October 2015,* from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 6.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Mark Danhof, Permanent Mission of the Netherlands (e-mail mark.danhof@minbuza.nl; tel. 1 (646) 508-8118).]

**Event on "Child Poverty and the Sustainable Development Goals: Indicators and Implementation under Goal One" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Luxembourg and Mexico and the Global Coalition Against Child Poverty)**

*Monday, 19 October 2015,* from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 12.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Sydney Guzman, UNICEF (e-mail syguzman@unicef.org; tel. 1 (212) 824 6952).]

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**Event on "Preventing harm from the use of explosive weapons in populated areas" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Austria)**

*Monday, 19 October 2015,* from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room A.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Doris Krenn, Permanent Mission of Austria (e-mail doris.krenn@bmeia.gv.at; tel. 1 (917) 542-8425).]

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**Event on "Implementation of the revised United Nations Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners (Mandela Rules)" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Switzerland, Penal Reform International and the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR))**

*Monday, 19 October 2015*, from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited. For further information please contact. For further information, please contact Mr. Nenad Vasić, OHCHR New York Office (e-mail vasic@un.org); or Ms. Andrea Huber, Penal Reform International (e-mail ahuber@penalreform.org).]

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**Panel discussion of the publication entitled "The World's Women 2015: Trends and Statistics" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Japan and Mexico, and the United Nations Statistics Division (UNSD))**

*Tuesday, 20 October 2015*, from 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room 6.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Harumi Shibata, UNSD (e-mail shibata@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0505).]

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**Briefing on "Cyber Stability: The Group of Governmental Experts (GGE) and Beyond" (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands (First Committee experts))**

*Tuesday, 20 October 2015,* from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Mark Danhof, Permanent Mission of the Netherlands (e-mail mark.danhof@minbuza.nl; tel. 1 (646) 508-8118).]

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**Event on "World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) Forum, WSIS Stocktaking, WSIS Prizes" (organized by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU))**

*Tuesday, 20 October 2015,* from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room E.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Sharon London, ITU Liaison Office to the United Nations (e-mail london@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6121).]

**Event on "The extraterritorial application of the prohibition of torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Denmark, the American Civil Liberties Union, the American University Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, the Amnesty International, the Convention against Torture Initiative, the Open Society Justice Initiative, and the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR))**

*Wednesday, 21 October 2015*, from 10:00 to 12:00, in Conference Room F.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Andra Nicolescu, American University (e-mail anicoles@wcl.american.edu); or Nenad Vasić, OHCHR New York Office (e-mail vasic@un.org).]

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**Briefing on "From Space Debris to Space Governance: Space Security Index 2015" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Canada and Project Ploughshares)**

*Wednesday, 21 October 2015*, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Simon Collard-Wexler, Permanent Mission of Canada (e-mail simon.collard-wexler@international.gc.ca); or Ms. Anna Jaikaran, Project Ploughshares (e-mail ajaikaran@ploughshares.ca).]

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**Event on "Reclaiming the Women, Peace and Security (WPS) Agenda: Mobilizing Within and Beyond the United Nations Security Council resolution 1325 (UNSCR 1325) Framework" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Ireland and the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict (GPPAC), the Women's Peacemakers Program (WPP), the Catholic Organization for Relief and Development Aid (Cordaid), and the NGO Working Group on Women, Peace and Security)**

*Friday, 23 October 2015*, from 10:30 to 12:30, in Conference Room 11.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Alexandra Bekker, Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of the Netherlands (e-mail alexandra.bekker@minbuza.nl; tel. 1 (212) 519-9717); or Ms. Gizem Kilinç (e-mail g.kilinc@gppac.net).]

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**Event on "Global Crackdown: The use of laws to criminalise and restrict human rights defenders" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Norway, Amnesty International, the International Service for Human Rights and the Observatory for the Protection of Human Rights Defenders)**

*Friday, 23 October 2015*, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 6.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Emilie Everett, Permanent Mission of Norway (e-mail emilie.everett@mfa.no); to register, please e-mail s.burgess@ishr.ch.]

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**Briefing on "Activities of the Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force (CTITF)" (organized by the Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force (CTITF) Office, Department of Political Affairs)**

*Monday, 26 October 2015*, from 15:00 to 16:30, in the Economic and Social Chamber.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. John Michael Medina, CTITF (e-mail medina9@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-6290).]

**Women's International Forum: Meeting on "A Personal and Political Quest for Gender Justice" (sponsored by the Executive Office of the Secretary-General)**

*Wednesday, 28 October 2015,* from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7.

[Delegates and Secretariat staff are invited to attend. Please, *click here* for further information.]

## Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

### Economic and Social Council

**Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters**
Eleventh session
United Nations Office at Geneva
(19-23 October 2015)

In accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 2015/214 of 9 June 2015, the eleventh session of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters will be held from Monday, 19, to Friday, 23 October 2015, at the *United Nations Office at* Geneva, Switzerland.

Background materials, including the provisional agenda and organization of work, are available on the Financing for Development Website *(click here)*.

For further information, please contact the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Michael Lennard (e-mail lennard@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5734).

## Announcements

**Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions**

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), for the month of *October 2015*:

*Introduction to United Nations Documents* (English, French, Spanish)

*Treaty Research* (English)

*United Nations Regular Budget Documentation* (English)

*General Assembly Documentation* (English, French)

*Security Council Documentation* (English)

*Finding Speeches* (English)

*Voting Information* (English)

*Introduction to Library Services* (English)

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (http://www.un.org/depts/dhl).

For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

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**Press kit for the seventieth session of the General Assembly**

The press kit for the seventieth session of the General Assembly is now available online in all six official languages. Produced by the Department of Public Information (DPI), in cooperation with the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM), the kit is paper-free. Print-on-demand versions are available via the General Assembly website (*click here*).

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**2016 United Nations Regional Courses in International Law — Call for applications**

Applications for the 2016 United Nations Regional Courses in International Law for Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean and Asia-Pacific, respectively, are now being accepted.

The Regional Course for Africa is scheduled to be held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from Monday, 1, to Friday, 26 February 2016. This course is open to candidates from Member States of the United Nations, which are also members of the regional group of African States. The deadline for applications is *Friday, 16 October 2015*.

The Regional Course for Latin America and the Caribbean is scheduled to be held in Montevideo, Uruguay, from Monday, 4, to Friday, 29 April 2016. This course is open to candidates from Member States of the United Nations, which are also members of the regional group of Latin American and Caribbean States. The deadline for applications is *Friday, 30 October 2015*.

The Regional Course for Asia-Pacific is scheduled to be held in Bangkok, Thailand, from Monday, 21 November, to Friday, 16 December 2016.

This course is open to candidates from Member States of the United Nations and non-member States, which are also members of the regional group of Asia-Pacific States. The deadline for applications is *Friday, 13 November 2015*.

The three Regional Courses will be conducted *in English* in 2016. The organization of the Regional Courses is subject to funding.

For further information, including application forms, please consult the website of the Regional Courses (*click here*); or contact the Codification Division (RCIL-Africa (e-mail rcil-africa@un.org); RCIL-LAAC (e-mail rcil-laac@un.org); and RCIL-Asia-Pacific (e-mail rcil-asia@un.org)).

**2016 United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme — Call for applications**

Applications for the 2016 United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme, scheduled to be held at the Peace Palace in The Hague, Netherlands, from 27 June to 5 August 2016, are now being accepted. The deadline for applications is *Tuesday, 1 December 2015*.

The Fellowship Programme will be conducted in *French* in 2016. For further information, including application forms, please consult the International Law Fellowship Programme (*click here*) or contact the Codification Division (e-mail ilfp@un.org).

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**Calendar of conferences and meetings**

The 2015 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

# Summary of official meetings

**Thursday, 15 October 2015**

## General Assembly

Seventieth session

[archived video]

33rd plenary meeting

*Election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council* [item 112 (a)]

On the first round of balloting, having obtained the required two-thirds majority and the largest number of votes, Egypt (179 votes), Japan (184 votes), Senegal (187 votes), Ukraine (177 votes) and Uruguay (185 votes) were elected as non-permanent members of the Security Council for a two-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2016.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 112.

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**Main Committees**

**First Committee**

[archived video]

7th meeting

The Chair made a statement.

The President of the General Assembly made a statement.

*General debate*

The Committee continued its general debate on all disarmament and related international security agenda items.

Statements were made by the representatives of Pakistan, San Marino, Cameroon, the Niger, Bangladesh, Côte d'Ivoire, Nicaragua, Afghanistan, Brazil, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Eritrea, Kuwait, Honduras, Myanmar and Serbia.

*Programme of work*

The Chair made a statement.

The representative of Pakistan made a statement.

The meeting was suspended.

The meeting was resumed.

The representative of Pakistan made a statement.

The Chair made a statement.

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**Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)**

[archived video]

7th meeting

*Agenda items 59, 60, 61, 62 and 63*

*General debate*

The Committee concluded its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of Benin, Mozambique, Equatorial Guinea, Guinea, Senegal, the United Republic of Tanzania, United Kingdom, Sierra Leone, Palau, the United Arab Emirates, Nigeria, Indonesia, Angola, Algeria, Morocco and Jamaica.

*Right of reply*

Statements in exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of Argentina and Spain.

*Action on draft resolutions and draft decisions relating to agenda items on decolonization* [items 59, 60, 61, 62 and 63]

The Chair made a statement.

The Chair announced that the drafts being considered under items 59 to 63 did not contain programme budget implications with the exception of draft resolution IX contained in document A/70/23. In accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, a statement by the Secretary-General on the programme budget implications of draft resolution IX had been issued as document A/C.4/70/L.6.

*Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 e of the Charter of the United Nations* [item 59]

The Committee adopted draft resolution I, contained in document A/70/23 (chapter XIII, p. 37), by a recorded vote of 155 to none, with 4 abstentions.

A statement in explanation of vote after the vote was made by the representative of the United Kingdom.

The representative for Sierra Leone raised a point of order.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 59.

*Economic and other activities which affect the interests of the peoples of the Non-Self Governing Territories* [item 60]

The Committee adopted draft resolution II, contained in document A/70/23 (chapter XIII, p. 38), by a recorded vote of 158 to 2, with 3 abstentions.

A statement in explanation of vote after the vote was made by the representative of Argentina.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 60.

*Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations* [item 61]

The Committee adopted draft resolution III, contained in document A/70/23 (chapter XIII, p. 40), by a recorded vote of 112 to 2, with 50 abstentions.

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom and Argentina.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 61.

*Offers by Member States of Study and Training Facilities for Inhabitants of Non-Self Governing Territories* [item 62]

The Chair announced that El Salvador had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/70/L.3, without a vote.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 62.

*Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and People* [item 63]

A general statement was made by the representative of the European Union.

*Question of Western Sahara*

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/70/L.4*, without a vote.

*Question of New Caledonia*

The Committee adopted draft resolution IV, contained in document A/70/23 (chapter XIII, p. 45), without a vote.

*Question of French Polynesia*

The Committee adopted draft resolution V, contained in document A/70/23 (chapter XIII, p. 49), without a vote.

*Question of Tokelau*

The Committee adopted draft resolution VI, contained in document A/70/23 (chapter XIII, p. 52), without a vote.

*Questions of American Samoa, Anguilla, Bermuda, the British Virgin Islands, the Cayman Islands, Guam, Montserrat, Pitcairn, Saint Helena, the Turks and Caicos Islands and the United States Virgin Islands*

The Committee adopted draft resolution VII, contained in document A/70/23 (chapter XIII, p. 55), without a vote.

Statements in explanation of position after the decision were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom, Spain and Argentina.

*Dissemination of information on decolonization*

The Committee adopted draft resolution VIII, contained in document A/70/23 (chapter XIII, p. 72), by a recorded vote of 159 to 3, with 2 abstentions.

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom and Argentina.

*Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples*

Statements in explanation of vote before the vote were made by the representatives of Morocco, Chile, Cuba, Ecuador, Nicaragua and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

The Committee adopted draft resolution IX, contained in document A/70/23 (chapter XIII, p. 74), by a recorded vote of 153 to 6, with 1 abstention.

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom, France, Japan, the United States, Canada, Spain, and Argentina.

The Chair announced that the Committee would revert to item 63 to consider the remaining draft decision at a later date.

*Organizational matters*

The Committee decided to extend the deadline for submitting the remaining draft proposals until Friday, 16 October at 12:00.

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**Second Committee**

[archived video]

11th meeting

*Globalization and interdependence* [item 22]

*(a) Role of the United Nations in promoting development in the context of globalization and interdependence*

*(b) Science and technology for development*

*(c) Culture and sustainable development*

*(d) Development cooperation with middle-income countries*

The Vice-Chair (Paraguay) made a statement.

The Committee began its consideration of the agenda item and its sub-items and heard introductory statements by the representatives of the Office for ECOSOC Support Coordination, DESA; the Science and Technology Section, UNCTAD; and the development Policy and Analysis Division, DESA.

*General discussion*

The Committee then began its general discussion of the agenda item and its sub-items and heard statements by the representatives of South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the Philippines (on behalf of the Association of the Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN)), Bangladesh (on behalf of the Group of Least Developed Countries), Ecuador (on behalf of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELA)), Belarus, Mexico, Singapore, the Philippines, the Russian Federation, Brazil, Ukraine, Algeria, Malta, Cuba, India, Bahrain, Morocco, Costa Rica, Ethiopia, Botswana and Libya.

*Organization of work*

The Chair (Slovenia) made a statement.

12th meeting

*Globalization and interdependence* [item 22]

*(a) Role of the United Nations in promoting development in the context of globalization and interdependence*

*(b) Science and technology for development*

*(c) Culture and sustainable development*

*(d) Development cooperation with middle-income countries*

The Committee continued its general discussion of the agenda item and its sub-items and heard statements by the representatives of Paraguay, Nepal, Jamaica (on behalf of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM)), Peru, Zimbabwe, Thailand, Honduras, Azerbaijan, Guatemala and Cameroon.

A statement was made by the observer for the Holy See.

A statement was also made by the representative of the International Organization for Migration.

*Right of reply*

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of Armenia and Azerbaijan.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of agenda item 22 and its sub-items.

*Organization of work*

The Vice-Chair (Paraguay) made a statement.

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**Third Committee**

[archived video]

14th meeting

*Promotion and protection of the rights of children* [item 68]

*(a) Promotion and protection of the rights of children*

*(b) Follow-up to the outcome of the special session on children*

The Committee continued its consideration of the item

An introductory statement was made by the Chair of the Committee on the Rights of the Child who engaged in an interactive dialogue with the representatives of the European Union, Japan, Mexico, Iceland and Ireland.

The Special Rapporteur on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography also made an introductory statement, and engaged in an interactive dialogue with the representatives of Switzerland, the United States, the European Union, Japan and Mexico.

The Committee continued its general discussion under the item and heard statements by the representatives of Ecuador (on behalf of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC)), Malawi (on behalf of the Southern African Development

Community (SADC)), Myanmar (on behalf of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN)), the European Union (also on behalf of the candidate countries Turkey, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia and Albania; the country of Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidate Bosnia and Herzegovina, as well as Ukraine, the Republic of Moldova, Armenia and Georgia), Poland, Egypt, the Philippines, Morocco, Slovenia, Mexico, the United States, Italy, Israel, Singapore, Peru and the Dominican Republic.

*Organization of work*

The Vice-Chair (Georgia) made a statement.

15th meeting

*Promotion and protection of the rights of children* [item 68]

*(a) Promotion and protection of the rights of children*

*(b) Follow-up to the outcome of the special session on children*

The Committee continued its general discussion under the item and heard statements by the representatives of Paraguay, the Syrian Arab Republic, Cuba, Thailand, Algeria, the Russian Federation, the Republic of Korea, Kazakhstan, Tunisia, Kenya, the United Arab Emirates, Nicaragua, India, Iraq, Jamaica, Canada, Lebanon, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Norway, Kyrgyzstan, Turkey, Mozambique, Japan, Guatemala, Nigeria, the Sudan, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, China and Pakistan.

Statements were also made by the observers of the State of Palestine and the Holy See.

*Right of reply*

Statements in exercise of the right of reply were made by the representative of Israel, as well as by the observer of the State of Palestine.

*Organization of work*

The Vice-Chair (Guyana) made a statement.

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**Fifth Committee**

[archived video]

6th meeting

*Improving the financial situation of the United Nations* [item 136]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

The Under-Secretary-General for Management made a statement on the financial situation of the United Nations.

The Chair informed the Committee that this statement would be issued as a report of the Secretary-General on the financial situation of the Organization under agenda item 136: Improving the financial situation of the United Nations.

The Chair further informed the Committee that the general discussion on this item would be held on 22 October.

The Chair informed the Committee that informal consultations would be held on that day, Thursday, 15 October immediately following the adjournment of the formal meeting on agenda item 142: Report on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services, and agenda item 132: Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations, which would be coordinated by Mr. Hiroshi Onuma (Japan).

**Sixth Committee**

[archived video]

6th meeting — *The rule of law at the national and international levels* [item 85]

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda item 85.

Statements were made by the representatives of Belarus, Myanmar, the Sudan, Guatemala, Slovenia, Libya, Austria, Senegal, the United States, Nicaragua, Estonia, Eritrea, Switzerland, Qatar, the Russian Federation, Malaysia, Iraq, Paraguay, Zambia, Sri Lanka, Nigeria, Ghana and Egypt.

7th meeting — *The rule of law at the national and international levels* [item 85]

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda item 85.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Morocco, Israel, Maldives, Indonesia, Algeria, Mozambique, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Syrian Arab Republic, Thailand, Ethiopia, Tunisia, Viet Nam, Zimbabwe, Costa Rica, Argentina, Turkey, Lebanon, Armenia, Poland, India and Pakistan.

# Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

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**[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]**

*Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women. New York, 18 December 1979*

*Partial withdrawal of reservation to article 11:* Singapore (15 October 2015)

*Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products. Seoul, 12 November 2012*

*Ratification:* Ecuador (15 October 2015)

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His Excellency František Ružička

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